

**1. Course number and name**

CptS 464: Distributed Systems Concepts and Programming

**2. Credits and contact hours**

3 credits, 3 lecture hours

**3. Instructor's or course coordinator's name**

David Bakken

**4. Textbook, title, author, and year**

G. Coulouris, J. Dollimore, T. Kindberg, and G. Blair. 2011. *Distributed Systems: Concepts and Programming* (5th ed.). Addison Wesley. ISBN 0-13- 214301-1.

**5. Specific course information**

- a. *Catalog description:* concepts of distributed systems; naming, security, networking, replication, synchronization, quality of service; programming middleware.
- b. *Prerequisites or corequisites:* CPT S 223, 233, or E E 234, with a C or better; certified major or minor in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Software Engineering, or Data Analytics.

**6. Specific goals for the course**

By the end of the course, students will be able to

- Understand, analyze, and apply fundamental issues in distributed computing systems (1d,6a,6d).
- Understand, analyze, and apply different system models: physical, architectural, failure (1d,6a,6d).
- Understand, analyze, and apply above-the-socket mechanisms for communications between processes and objects(6a,6d).
- Understand, analyze, and apply modern distributed communication styles including indirect communication and peer-to-peer systems (1d,6a,6d).
- Be able to design, build, and test distributed applications using middleware while applying knowledge from above goals (1a,1b,1d,2a,2b,2c,2g,6a,6d).

**7. Brief list of topics to be covered**

- Characterizations of of Distributed Systems
- System Models
- Interprocess Communication
- Remote Invocation
- Indirect Communication
- Peer-to-Peer Systems
- Time and Global States
- Coordination and Agreement
- Cloud, Fog, and Edge Computing